



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 3751**

PATENT

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In re Application of:

Jeff A Gessaman

Art Unit: 3751

Application No.: 10/695,403

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For: Valve Having Pressure Balancing Piston and
Method Involving Same

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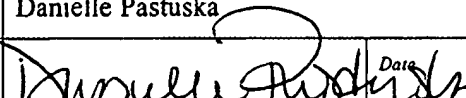
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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